

**Employee Name:**

**DUTY STATEMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH  
NAPA STATE HOSPITAL**

<b>JOB CLASSIFICATION: REGISTERED DIETITIAN (SAFETY)</b>
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**1. MAJOR TASKS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Under direction, the Registered Dietitian provides medical nutrition therapy to forensic individuals in a State facility; participates as a member of the interdisciplinary team; and performs other related work.

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| 35% | Provides comprehensive assessments and reviews of individuals' nutritional status and determines nutrient requirements according to age and disease specific needs of individuals. Identifies individuals at high nutrition risk based on established criteria. |
| 15% | Coordinates Medical Nutrition Therapy for individuals, and monitors individuals' response to Medical Nutrition Therapy and plan of care.  |
| 10% | Provides nutrition education to individuals and family members on appropriate food selections and eating behaviors to accomplish individuals' goals.  |
| 10% | Assists in the selection and training of dietary staff and dietetic interns/students. Assists in planning and conducting in-service training programs for staff.  |
| 5%  | Attends and participates in individual treatment conferences. Assists and advises clinical personnel on any special nutritional needs of individuals.   |
| 5%  | Participates in and identifies performance improvement criteria to improve individual care and nutrition processes.   |
| 5%  | Applies Joint Commission (JC) and/or other regulatory standards in the provision of nutrition services.   |
| 5%  | Participates in department meetings, professional practice group and hospital committees.   |
| 5%  | Actively assesses, evaluates, and maintains professional development to improve knowledge and skills that promote continued   |

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competence.

5% Other related duties as required.

0% **SITE SPECIFIC DUTIES**  
None.

0% **TECHNICAL PROFICIENCY**  
None.

### **2. SUPERVISION RECEIVED**

The Registered Dietitian (Safety) performs under the direction of the Assistant Director of Dietetics (Clinical).

### **3. SUPERVISION EXERCISED**

The Registered Dietitian (Safety) position is non-supervisory, but may review the professional work of dietetic interns and Pre-Registered Dietitians.

### **4. KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES**

#### **KNOWLEDGE OF:**

Principles, practices, and theories of nutrition and dietetics including medical nutrition therapy; methods of planning, preparing, and serving food to a large number of persons; and the special dietary requirements of developmentally or mentally disordered forensic individuals, pediatric and geriatric populations, and other individual groups.

#### **ABILITY TO:**

Apply the principles and practices of nutrition and dietetics, including medical nutrition therapy; assess nutrition status and develop nutrition care plans; communicate nutrition concerns and recommendations with the interdisciplinary team; provide effective nutrition education and training; and analyze situations accurately and adopt an effective course of action.

### **5. REQUIRED COMPETENCIES:**

#### **SAFETY**

Actively supports a safe and hazard free workplace through practice of personal safety and vigilance in the identification of safety or security hazards, including infection control.

#### **AGE SPECIFIC**

Provides services commensurate with age of individuals being served.

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Demonstrates knowledge of growth and development of the following age categories:

☐ Pediatric   ☐ Adolescent   ☒ Adult (18-54)   ☐ Geriatric (55 & up)

- Geriatric: Ability to provide nutritional care plans for geriatric individuals based on their identified physical, mental, social and emotional growth and development.
- Adult: Ability to provide nutritional care plans for adult individuals based on their identified physical, mental, social and emotional growth and development.

### **THERAPEUTIC STRATEGIES AND INTERVENTIONS**

Applies and demonstrates knowledge of correct Therapeutic Strategies and Interventions (TSI).

### **CULTURAL AWARENESS**

Demonstrates awareness to multicultural issues in the workplace which enable the employee to work effectively.

### **SITE SPECIFIC COMPETENCIES**

None.

### **TECHNICAL PROFICIENCY (SITE SPECIFIC)**

None.

## **6. LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION**

It is the employee's responsibility to maintain a license, credential, or required registration pertinent to their classification on a current basis. Any failure to do so may result in termination from Civil Service. Employees in this classification must:

- Possess valid registration with the Commission on Dietetic Registration of the American Dietetic Association.

## **7. TRAINING - Training Category = C**

The employee is required to keep current with the completion of all required training.

## **8. WORKING CONDITIONS**

### **EMPLOYEE IS REQUIRED TO:**



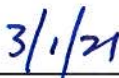
- report to work on time and follow procedures for reporting absences;
- maintain a professional appearance;
- appropriately maintain cooperative, professional, and effective interactions

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- with employees, individuals, and the public; and
- comply with hospital policies and procedures.

The employee is required to work any shift and schedule in a variety of settings throughout the hospital and may be required to work overtime and float to other work locations as determined by the operational needs of the hospital. All employees are required to have an annual health review and repeat health reviews whenever necessary to ascertain that they are free from symptoms indicating the presence of infection and are able to safely perform their essential job duties.

_____ Employee Signature	_____ Print Name	_____ Date
_____ Supervisor Signature	_____ Print Name	_____ Date
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